

**Pope Francis,
leading the Church
with
humility, love and mercy.**

**From Homily of Pope Francis,
introducing the Jubilee Year of Mercy:**

"This Extraordinary Holy Year is itself a gift of grace. To pass through the Holy Door means to rediscover the infinite mercy of the Father who welcomes everyone and goes out personally to encounter each of them."

"The fullness of grace can transform the human heart and enable it to do something so great as to change the course of human history."

**From CNN Opinion,
A key to understanding Pope Francis
By James Martin**

"...the world has witnessed the Pope repeatedly inviting the church to experience God in places that some other Catholic leaders may have overlooked or even ignored. Atheists, divorced and remarried Catholics, and gay men and lesbians, have all seen the Pope reach out to them."

"Francis is not so much trying to find God there -- because he knows that God is already there -- as he is reminding others to look for God in the lives of all these people."



**Catholic
LGBT
Ministry Council**

"Who am I to judge a gay person of goodwill who seeks the Lord?"

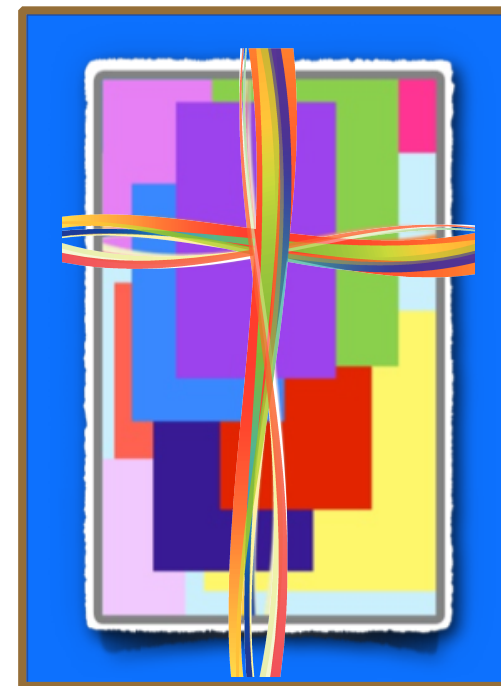
"You can't marginalize these people."
~ Pope Francis

"Find God in All Things"
~Motto in Jesuit Spirituality

**"Pastoral ministry
requires
the embrace of the Church
to be the same
as that of Christ himself,
open to all,
excluding none..."**

~ Pastoral Guidelines for Ministry
Diocese of San Jose

**Created in the
image and likeness
of God**



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of
The Diocese of San Jose, California

Catholic LGBT Ministry Council

"All Are Welcome Masses"
Mass schedule at dsjorg/lgbtministry

- Information available for individuals, liturgical ministers, catechetical leaders, and parishes
- Pastoral Resources
- Parent and family support
- Advisory Council to the bishop

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The Catholic LGBT Ministry Council was established by the Diocese of San Jose to foster pastoral care and ministry LGBT Catholics, their families and friends.



All Are Welcome Masses

All Are Welcome Masses have been celebrated by parishes in the San Jose Diocese ... a reminder that the doors to God's house are open to everyone. God's love, mercy and grace is for all God's children.

2017-2018 Mass dates TBA



Parishes who have sponsored
"All Are Welcome" Masses

Our Lady of Guadalupe, SJ

Church of the Resurrection, SV

St. Cyprian, SV

Most Holy Trinity, SJ

St. Martin of Tours, SJ

St. John Vianney, SJ

St. Francis of Assisi, SJ

St. Julie Billiart, SJ

Santa Clara University

Church Teaching

We are all created in the image and the likeness of God and our ministry is directed by the compassion of Jesus.

"...God loves every person as a unique individual. Sexual identity helps to define the unique persons we are.

You are always my child, nothing can ever change that. You are also a child of God, gifted and called for a purpose in God's design.

~ Always Our Children,
NCCB Bishops' Committee
on Marriage and Family, 1998

"God has created every human person out of love and wishes to grant him or her eternal life in the communion of the Trinity.

All people are created in the image and likeness of God and thus possess an innate humanity and dignity that must be acknowledged and respected."

~USCCB, November 14, 2006

All the baptized, regardless of sexual orientation or social attitudes, have an equal claim on this pastoral service."

~ Pastoral Guidelines
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